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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 02-398-B)

In re Application of: )  
Reeder, et al.. )  
Serial No.: 10/600,100 )  
Filed: June 20, 2003 )  
For: Process for Preparing Oxazole Intermediates )

Before the Examiner:  
Kamal A Saeed  
Art Unit: 1626

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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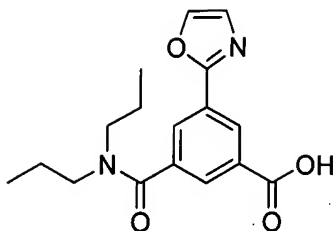
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**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**  
**MAILED JUNE 30, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 30, 2005, the Applicants select Group II, i.e., claims 26-32 for prosecution. The Applicants further elect the following species for prosecution:



To generate this compound from the structure in claim 26, the following definitions are assigned to the variables:  $R_4$  and  $R_5$  are both  $C_3$  alkyl;  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  are both hydrogen; and  $R_1$  is OH.

#### CONCLUSION

The Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at (312) 913-2114 if the Examiner believes that this would expedite prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

July 29, 2005

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